

General Assembly

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LCO No. 4462



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

## AN ACT CONCERNING AMENDED ELECTION RETURNS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 9-322a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2014*):
- 3 (a) Not later than seven days following each regular state election,
- 4 the head moderator and the registrars of voters and municipal clerk for
- 5 each municipality divided into voting districts shall meet to identify
- 6 any error in the returns. The head moderator shall correct any error
- 7 identified and file an amended return with the Secretary of the State
- 8 and the registrars of voters.
- 9 (b) Not later than twenty-one days following each regular state
- 10 election, the [town] <u>municipal</u> clerk of each [town] <u>municipality</u>
- 11 divided into voting districts shall file with the Secretary of the State a
- 12 consolidated listing, in tabular format, as prescribed by the Secretary
- of the State, of the official returns of each such voting district for all
- offices voted on at such election, including the total number of votes

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15 cast for each candidate, the total number of names on the registry list, 16 and the total number of names checked as having voted, in each such 17 district. The town clerk of such town shall certify that he or she has 18 examined the lists transmitted under this section to determine whether 19 there are any discrepancies between the total number of votes cast for 20 a candidate at such election in such town, including for any recanvass 21 conducted pursuant to section 9-311 or 9-311a, and the sum of the 22 votes cast for the same candidate in all voting districts in such town. In 23 the case of any such discrepancy, the town clerk shall notify the head 24 moderator and certify that such discrepancy has been rectified. Each 25 listing filed under this section shall be retained by the Secretary of the 26 State not less than ten years after the date of the election for which it 27 was filed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	January 1, 2014		9-322a

## Statement of Purpose:

To require the head moderator, registrar of voters and municipal clerk to identify and correct any error in returns not later than seven days following an election.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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